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K of C Pancake Supper Saturday

All pancake gourmet have a cordial invitation from the President John F. Kennedy Council, Knights of Columbus to attend their first annual family style, Pancake and Sausage Supper this Saturday, at the Junior High School, from 5 to 7:30 p.m.

Take pancakes, sausages, syrup, butter and kids mix well and who knows the results but they should prove hilarious — and to assure you that it will be hilarious, Mr. Arnold Wilder and Mr. Emile Grenier have scheduled a Pancake Eating Contest. To join in on this fun all ticket holding youngsters ages from seven to eleven are eligible. Contest time will be 6 p.m. and a cash prize will be the award.

And don't forget Mom! Bring her along and give her a wonderful night out. Without a dish to wash!

Mr. Eugene E. Keller, Jr., and his committee along with all council members will serve you all that you can eat from 5-7:30 p.m. Tickets are only .99 and are available from any council member or may be obtained at the door.

We promise that you will flip over our pancakes and they will flip for you.

Richardson Campaigns in Agawam



Elliott Richardson, Republican candidate for Lieut. Governor spent a pleasant hour in Agawam last Sunday evening with friends at an "open house" at the home of Joseph and Ann Trzeinski, Suffield Street. Pictured above in center is Mr. Richardson with Mr. and Mrs. Trzeinski. Mr. Richardson stated that upon election, the role of his office will be expanded, then gave a description of the three years spent in Washington as Assistant Secretary for Health, Education and Welfare. He also spoke of the

seven separate agencies in Massachusetts that work in these fields and of the more than 200 million dollars spent annually for them.

Relaxed and very much at ease, Mr. Richardson freely answered many questions on public administration.

Mr. Frank Chriscola, Jr., chairman of the Agawam Board of Selectmen, and Selectman Edward Connelly extended the welcome of the town. George Porter, Agawam's State Representative and Leslie Moore, Jr., chairman of the Republican Town Committee were also on hand to greet Mr. Richardson and his party.

Career Conferences At AHS For Oct.

Mr. David Skolnick, guidance director at the Agawam High School, has been invited by Vassar College officials to visit their campus at Poughkeepsie, New York, today. He will spend the day with key members of the administration, meet with members of the faculty and student body members to learn first hand what Vassar College offers young ladies. Armed with this experience Mr. Skolnick will be in an excellent position to effectively evaluate Agawam High School candidates for successful admittance to this well-known college for women.

Agawam Lioness Open Season

The Agawam Lioness Club will begin their season, October 5, at the Federal Hill Club in Agawam. Mrs. John Chriscola, president of the organization wishes to remind the members that the dinner will be served promptly at 7:30 p.m.

Jack Moltenbray, executive secretary of the Agawam YMCA will be the guest speaker.

The Lioness Club will continue with the nurses scholarship, which was awarded this year to Miss Linnea Morris of Homestead St., Agawam, who is attending St. Francis Hospital School of Nursing, Hartford, Conn.

Other smaller projects such as the Christmas basket for a needy Agawam family and token gifts to some of our Senior citizens, who are shut-ins, will also be continued.

Enrolls at Gettysburg

GETTYSBURG, Pa. — Gettysburg College opened its 133rd academic year September 17 with an enrollment of more than 1,800 men and women.

Among the new students enrolled is Richard V. Barnes, son of Mrs. Blanche Barnes, 775 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills. He is a graduate of Agawam High School.

Rita G. Moore Announces Candidacy For School Committee

Rita G. Moore today announced her candidacy for the office of School Committee Woman and will seek the Republican nomination at the Caucus to be held on Wednesday, Oct. 14.

Mrs. Moore, a lifelong resident of Agawam and graduate of the Agawam School System, resides at 41 Federal Ave., with her husband Leslie J. Moore, Jr. and their children "Butch and Judy."

Mrs. Moore will present to the voters of Agawam a candidacy based on years of keen interest and active participation in community affairs and programs at both the civic and governmental levels, and lists among her services and experiences: Town Meeting Member for Precinct 4; President of the Phelps P.T.A.; Secretary of the West Springfield—Agawam P.T.A. Council; Chairman of the Benjamin Phelps Memorial Scholarship Fund; Secretary of Agawam Y.M.C.A. board; director of the Y.M.C.A.; Girl Scout Leader; Girl Scout

Committee Woman; President Agawam Lioness Club and Scholarship Chairman for Agawam Lioness Club.

In an appeal to Republican and Independent voters, Mrs. Moore



RITA G. MOORE

Republican Comm. Meeting Tonight

Agawam Republican Town Committee will meet tonight (Oct. 1) at 8 p.m. at their headquarters, 382 Walnut St., Agawam.

Leslie J. Moore, Jr., chairman of the town committee reminds anyone interested in being a candidate, in the Republican caucus must file their papers with the committee by Oct. 1st.

St. John's Guild Annual "Living Rosary" Sunday

The 10th annual presentation of the Living Rosary of St. John the Evangelist Guild, Catholic Women's Club, and the Catholic Men's Club will be held this Sunday at 7:30 p.m. in St. John the Evangelist Church.

The impressive ceremony will be led by Rev. John P. Shannon,

Pastor of St. John's Church, the Rosarians preceded by altar boys and the junior flower girls dressed in white, will march in a procession into church. As the church lights are dimmed they will recite and form with lighted candles the Living Rosary. Rev. Shannon will also celebrate benediction and preside at the outdoor exercises at the Shrine of Our Lady.

Rev. James Lynch will co-ordinate the rosary program with Mrs. J. Clinton Wright, Jr., serving as general chairman, assisted by Mrs. Francis Capitano, Mrs. Edward F. Moriarty, Mrs. Claudia Torrey and Mr. Agostino Bartolucci.

Forming the cross will be officers of the Guild and the Catholic Women's Club; Mrs. Wright, Jr., Mrs. George Wagner, Mrs. Ernest McLean, Mrs. Donald Desjarlais, and Mrs. Ronald Meunier of the Guild and Mrs. Capitano, Mrs. David Gallano, Mrs. Alexander Toczko, Mrs. Thomas McGovern, Mrs. Robert Wysocki of the Women's Club. Members of the Catholic Men's Club will take part in the Rosary and form the separation of the decades.

The Men's Club Choir under their director Mr. Agostino Bartolucci will open and close the ceremonies. Choir members are Fred Williams, John Gaffey, Paul Morin, Harry King, Edmund Coffey, Wyly Brame, Lawrence Champagne, Daniel Manning, Natale Cirillo, Russell

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Skolnick Guest At Vassar College



DAVID SKOLNICK

Bruce W. Fleming Enlists in U.S. Navy

Bruce W. Fleming, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Fleming of Springfield St., Agawam, recently enlisted for four years in the U.S. Navy and is undergoing nine weeks of recruit indoctrination at the U. S. Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Illinois. Bruce graduated from Agawam High School in June 1964.

The recruit indoctrination will include Naval orientation, customs and etiquette of the Naval service, seamanship, swimming and survival, first aid, physical fitness drills and basic military law.

K of C Council Meeting Tonight

The President John F. Kennedy Council 5585, Knights of Columbus of Agawam, will meet tonight (Oct. 1st) at 8 p.m. for their business meeting at the parish hall of the Sacred Heart Church on Williams Street.

All committees are asked to bring in their reports on the Pancake Supper to be held by the council this Saturday night at the Junior High School.

On West Indies Cruise



Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Drew of 444 Cooper Street, Agawam, were photographed on board the Grace Line's SANTA PAULA, which sailed from New York on a 13-day cruise to Curacao, N. W. I.; La Guaira (Caracas), Venezuela; Aruba, N. W. I.; Kingston, Jamaica; Port-au-Prince, Haiti; and Port Everglades (Fort Lauderdale-Miami), Florida.

CHURCH NEWS

BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Benjamin T. Lockhart,
Pastor
Mrs. Frank Merchant,
Organist - Choir Director
Mrs. Barbara Briggs,
Church Secretary

Thursday — 6:30 p.m. Choral Choir rehearse at church; 7:30 p.m. Senior Choir rehearse at church.

Sunday — 9 and 1:10 a.m. TWO MORNING WORSHIP SERVICES . . . World Communion Sunday . . . The Pastor will preach at morning worship services . . . Communion served at both services. The World Fellowship Offering will be received at this time; 9:30 and 10 a.m. CHURCH SCHOOL for all ages; 6 p.m. Senior BYF meeting; 6 p.m. Junior High BYF meeting. Monday — 8 p.m. Amicitia Circle meet at home of Mrs. Lois Buiniskas, 42 Raymond Circle. Tuesday: 7 p.m. Celestial Choir rehearse at church.

Wednesday — October 7 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. . . . Trading Post open; 8 p.m. Church Committee meet at church; 7 p.m. ABC Beell Ringers rehearse at church.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Floyd C. Bryan, Minister
Mrs. Andrew G. Toussaint,
Minister of Music
Friday — 7:30 p.m. Sanctuary choir rehearse; 8 p.m. Square Dance.
Saturday — 8:45 a.m. Inter-

mediate Choir rehearsal; 9:45 a.m. Junior Choir rehearsal.

Sunday — 9 a.m. Church School Nursery - Grade 6; 9 a.m. Church at Morning Worship . . . World Wide Communion . . . Rev. Bryan preaching; 10 a.m. Adult Bible Class, and Church School Grades 7-12; 11 a.m. Church School Grades 6; 11 a.m. Church at Morning Worship; 5:30 p.m. Thank-Offering Dinner Dr. Sheldon E. Mackey, speaker. Monday — 7:30 p.m. Board Night.
Tuesday — 6:30 p.m. Senior Choir rehearsal.

FEEDING HILLS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

21 North Westfield St.
Rev. Arthur N. Sweeney
Mrs. Fred Nardi, Sr. Organist
Thursday — 7 p.m. Senior Choir rehearsal.

Saturday — 10:30-12 noon Religious Education class, grades 9 and 10 in pastor's study.

Sunday — 9:30 a.m. Church School rally—Nursery through grade 8; 10:45 a.m. Deacons meet in Griswold Hall; 11 a.m. World Wide Communion Worship Service and installation of church school teachers and workers.

Monday — 8 p.m. Church Council meet in Griswold Hall.

Tuesday — 6:15 p.m. Fall assembly of the council of churches of Greater Springfield in the First Congregational Church of West Springfield.

LAY MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Kenneth Thornton, Minister
Mrs. H. Binns, Organist
Mrs. M. Keyes, Sr. Choir Director
Mrs. R. Ashton, Jr. Choir Director

Saturday — 9 to 10:30 a.m. Church School; 6:30 p.m. Covered Dish supper sponsored by Fellowship. . . all are invited. Rev. James Manning will show colored slides of his recent trip to Puerto Rico.

Sunday — 10 a.m. Worship Serv-

ice. . . WORLD WIDE COMMUNION SUNDAY.

Monday — 7:30 p.m. WSCS meet at home of Edith Michaud program "Crazy Hat in Bag"; 7:30 p.m. Men's Club meet at parsonage.

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

Rev. Dominic A. Ruscetta,
CPS Rector.
Rev. James T. Cunningham,
CPS, Assistant.

Mass Schedule

Sundays: 6, 7, 8:30, 10:30 a.m.
Weekdays: 7 a.m.
Tuesday — 7:30 p.m. St. Anthony Devotions.

ST. DAVID'S CHURCH

Rev. John S. Tyler, Vicar
Friday — 3:15 p.m. Junior Choir at church.

Sunday — 8 p.m. Holy Communion; 10 a.m. Morning Prayer and Sermon—family service; 7 p.m. Evening Prayer.

Wednesday — 7:30 p.m. Senior Choir practice.

VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH

Rev. Frank E. Dunn,
Guest Minister
Mrs. John Cesan, Secretary
Mrs. John MacPherson
Mrs. Harry Prior,
Music Directors

Sunday — 10 a.m. Worship Service at Storowton Church at Eastern States Exposition grounds; 6:30 p.m. Youth organization meeting at Storowton.

F. Hills Church

Rally Day Oct. 4

The Feeding Hills Congregational Church School will resume its regular schedule on Oct. 4th, when it will observe Rally Day. Classes for grades one through eight will meet in the sanctuary at 9:30 for a special devotional service. Because of World Wide Communion, the theme will be: Responding to God's Love Through the Sacrament of Holy Communion. Mrs. Arthur Sweeney's seventh grade class will participate in the service, as well as Rev. Sweeney. Beginning with this Sunday, these classes will meet regularly from 9:30 to 10:30, with nursery and kindergarten classes meeting from 11 to 12, during the adult worship service. All students of the Church School, and any new residents who would like to enroll are urged to attend Sunday, and regularly thereafter.

Also, on Oct. 4th, during the 11 o'clock service, all teachers, assistants and substitutes will be installed. These include: Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Femmel, Mrs. James Bava, Mrs. Arnold Burgmaster, Mrs. Ernest Swanson, Mrs. Leslie Bates, Mrs. Lyman Hastings, Mr. Donald Taylor, Mrs. Alvin Kellogg, Jr., Mrs. Stanley Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Bostwick, Mr. Bertram Goodwin, Mr. and Mrs. Perry McCobb, Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Sweeney, the Misses Linda Taylor, Susan Howard, Ruth Dempsey, Joyce Goodwin, Gail Bava, Mrs. Raymond Forsman, Mrs. George Ezekiel, Mrs. Richard Dutton, Mrs. Thomas Economidy, and Mrs. William Ekstedt.

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Valley Community Church Guest Is Veteran Clergy

Non-denominational services resumed for the Valley Community Church at Old Storowton on the Eastern States Exposition grounds, on Sunday, the 4th, at 10 a.m. Rev. Arthur M. Jeffries of Sterling Junction, Mass., and Lakeland, Fla., well-known to many in this area, will be guest minister.

Mr. Jeffries has had a rich and varied experience in Religious work beginning as a youth in England, where he studied and trained for Social Service work. He continued study at Acadia University in Canada, while pastoring rural churches in the "horse & buggy days". He later came to New England and attended Gordon College of Theology and Missions in Boston, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Theology and later returned for further studies to acquire the degree of Bachelor

of Divinity.

Since retirement, Mr. Jeffries has served as interim pastor and does much supply preaching. While wintering in Florida, he conducts services at Holiday Mobile Home Park, in Lakeland. He devotes himself mainly to his literary work as Editor/Publisher of, "Inspiration", a monthly religious paper. He has authored a booklet, "Victorious Living Through Prayer", and numerous other pamphlets and magazine articles.

Mr. Jeffries is a week-end guest of his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Deliso of River Rd. Another daughter, formerly of Agawam, is Mrs. Edward W. Thomas, of Westfield.

A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend Old Storowton Church. Communion to follow the morning service is optional.

Spiritual Inspiration Needed, Lecturer Says

"It takes courage to follow God" instead of men, a lecturer on Christian Science said last Saturday. But those who do follow God, he added, find that God's power comes into their lives, healing themselves and others.

Arnold H. Exo of Chicago, Illinois, was the speaker. He told an audience in First Church of Christ, Scientist, Spfld., that following God requires not only courage, but willingness to "open our thought," to let ourselves be spiritually inspired.

"We must open the door of our consciousness to the Christ, to the true idea of God," he declared. In this way, we can "feel the touch of God's healing power," he said — a power that is "just as available today as it was some two thousand years ago."

Mr. Exo is a member of The Christian Science Board of Lectureship, as well as an authorized teacher and practitioner of the religion. His appearance here was sponsored by First Church of Christ, Scientist, Springfield.

Mr. Exo called upon teen-agers and others to withstand the pressures of conformity. "Let the inspired Word of God, and not the actions of some mortal, be your guide," he urged.

St. John's Guild . . .

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Scott, John Mikszewski and Francis Nolin. Charles Maniscalchi is the organist. Mrs. Elizabeth Metayer, soloist, will sing Ave Maria and will be accompanied by Mrs. Natale Cirillo, organist.

The outdoor exercise at the Shrine of Our Lady, Mrs. Wright, Jr., Guild president, will place on the head of Our Lady a crown made of white roses trimmed with silver and seed pearls. Mrs. Capitano, Catholic Women's Club president, will place at the feet of Our Lady an arrangement of fresh cut fall flowers.

Miss Susanne Moriarty will be the crown bearer carrying the crown on a white satin pillow. Miss Charlene Maniscalchi will act as the junior flower girl carrying the bouquet of flowers. The crown, pillow and bouquet arrangement was fashioned for the occasion by Mrs. George Russell. Ushers will be Mr. J. Clinton Wright, Jr., and Mr. John Nahajo.

All participating should be at the church one-half hour before the ceremonies.

VWWI CARD PARTY WINNERS

The present series in the Whist Parties sponsored by Veterans of World War One was held last Wednesday evening at the Agawam National Guard Armory. Winners of Door prizes were: Sadie Newcomb, Florence Panarette, Viola Thayer and Edith Burton.

Mystery prizes were won by Katherine Cleary, Ed Burton and Gladys Cortes. Gertrude Vaughn was Ace prize winner for the ladies and Clarence Edwards for the men.

The following were high score winners: Ladies — 1st Maude Melanson, 2nd Adine Morley, 3rd Katherine Cleary and consolation, Dora Hocker; Men — 1st Ralph Stetson, 2nd Les Newcomb, 3rd Nick Panaretos and consolation, George Pierce.

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Round The Town



By Ann Nael
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Lawrence F. Barry of Elm St. Agawam, former caddy and caddy master was named sectional chairman of the second annual reunion of the Poland Spring Caddy Camp Alumni Association last week at Poland Spring Hotel, Poland Spring, Maine.

Andrew F. Arnold of Suffield St. Agawam was recently honored by H. P. Hood and Sons. Mr. Arnold was presented a gold service pin for completing 20 years of service. The presentation was made at a Boston service luncheon of H. P. Hoods and Son.

Rev. James Cunningham, C.P.S., of St. Anthony's Church is confined to Mercy Hospital with a back injury.

Rev. Arthur N. Sweeney, pastor of Feeding Hills Congregational Church will attend the Congregational Minister's Convocation-Retreat, in Craigville, Cape Cod, October 6 through 8.

Edward Moriarty of Suffield St., was guest of honor last evening at a family dinner party in honor of his birthday.

Mr. Floyd Boyer of Adams St., has returned home from a three-

week stay at Springfield Hospital and is convalescing after surgery. Mr. Boyer would like to thank his friends, neighbors and relatives for their cards, flowers and gifts he received during his illness.

Miss Gail Stetson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Stetson of Perry Lane, Agawam, is a member of the freshman class at State University of New York, Cobleskill, N. Y., where her major field of study will be nursery education. Miss Stetson is a graduate of Agawam High School class of '63.

Mothers of Twins Club Meeting Monday

The Hampden County Mothers of Twins Club will hold its regular meeting next Monday night at 8 at the Chapter House for the Blind, 910 Liberty St., Springfield.

Mrs. James DeMercurio, president, of West Springfield will preside during the business meeting after which Mrs. Richard Manegre of Ludlow, program chairman will introduce Miss Elizabeth J. Harris, the guest speaker for the evening.

This meeting will also be Fathers Night, all Fathers of Twins are cordially invited.

Refreshments will follow with Mrs. Morris Young of Longmeadow as chairman, assisted by various members of the club.

On Tuesday, Oct. 6 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Wednesday, Oct. 7 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. the Mothers of Twins Club will sponsor their annual Rummage Sale for the benefit of their Scholarship Fund, at the YWCA, 26 Howard Street, Springfield. Mrs. Christopher Gallagher of Springfield, and Mrs. Harvey Vigneault of Longmeadow will be Co-Chairmen.

Anyone wishing to join the Club, please contact Mrs. Richard Cosby, 64 Agnes St., Springfield, Membership Chairman.

SICK ANIMALS NEED YOUR HELP

Dr. Alex R. Evans, Chief of Staff, of the Mass. S. P. C. A.'s Rowley Memorial Hospital, Springfield, today asked for any clean bedding material or towel for the animals in the hospital. Perhaps some of the bedding the youngsters used at camp is now ready to be discarded. This material would add to the comfort of injured and sick animals.

Full size sheets, towels and blankets are welcome, but pieces of cloth or blankets as small as 24" can be used. Towels and sheeting are used in the clinic, the surgical site and the wards. Blanket materials provide added warmth for critically ill animals and cushion stretcher and ambulance cases.

Since the Society, including its hospital, is a private charity, it is completely dependent upon the generosity of animal lovers for bedding materials as well as support.

The public is cordially invited to visit the hospital to see the facilities and how the materials help ill animals. Please inquire about tour hours.

Please send material to Mass. S. P. C. A., 53 Bliss Street, Springfield, or call REpublic 4-7353.

Skinny, Pink Mystery

East Lyme, Conn.

Bird watchers have gone into orbit over the finding of a flamingo in the shallows of Long Island Sound.

"Absolutely extraordinary," said Roger Tory Peterson, author and illustrator of bird books used by amateur ornithologists the world over.

Mr. Peterson, who lives a few miles away in Old Lyme, dropped everything when the report reached him and rushed over to see for himself.

There, big as life, was a skinny-legged, big-beaked pink bird that Mr. Peterson said was a West Indian flamingo.

The species is native to the West Indies and Bahamas and occasionally shows up in the waters off southern Florida, he said.

But Connecticut? Never. Well hardly ever.

Andrew Whittaker, head keeper of birds at the Bronx Zoo in New York City, said the whole business is an "astounding discovery."

Nature also played unusual tricks in western Massachusetts.

Another pink flamingo was seen in Lenox, according to the Massachusetts Audubon Society.

Then young Michael Bragdon of Adams found a moth identified as a rare sphinx moth with a five-inch wing spread.

And in Dalton, John Forward, a tree nursery employee, found an eight-pound edible mushroom.

St. John's Guild Pot Luck Supper Oct. 6

A Pot-Luck Supper will be the feature of the October meeting of St. John the Evangelist Guild in the church hall on Tuesday evening at 6:30. The Guild conducted their annual membership drive during September and all new members will be guests of honor at the supper. Mrs. Alfred Trehey, chairman, is assisted by Mrs. Thomas Haynes co-chairman, and committee members are: Mrs. Andrew Arnold Mrs. Robert Leavitt and Mrs. Peter Montessi.

The supper menu will consist of meatballs with sauce, ham, assorted cold cuts, meatloaf, Swedish meatballs, scalloped potatoes, baked beans, macaroni and cheese, assorted salads, Italian bread, hot rolls, coffee and cake.

Following the supper a short business meeting will be held at 8:15. Members will see slides taken by Mr. and Mrs. Francis Capitanio of their recent five-week trip to France and Italy. Mr. and Mrs. Capitanio are mem-

bers of St. John the Evangelist Church. Mr. Capitanio is former vice president of the Catholic Men's Club and the newly elected president of UNICO, a civic organization whose members are of Italian descent.

Taylor Cited

Archie R. Taylor, local associate of the Athol Agency of the Paul Revere Life Insurance Company and the Massachusetts Protective Association, Inc., has been cited as a national sales leader in a company-wide competition supporting the U. S. Olympic program.

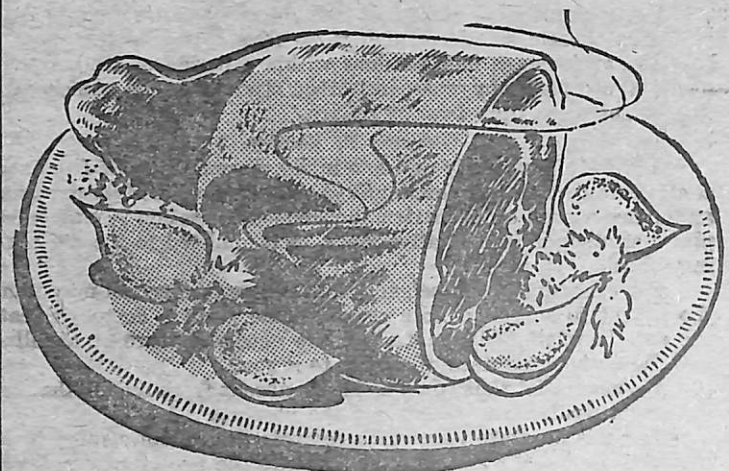
A donation to the U. S. Olympic Fund is being made in Mr. Taylor's name as a result of his sales record. The Olympic donation program was designed to increase interest and support in the U. S. Olympic team among the company's 1,200 representatives.

Mr. Taylor joined the Worcester, Mass. company in 1958. He is the Director of the Agawam Community YMCA and is active in local Masonic affairs.

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School Attendance Regulations

Louis R. Tatro Supervisor of Attendance in the Agawam Schools wishes to announce that all students in our school system will be given a copy of the attendance regulations and state laws, which is to be taken home to the parent or guardian.

This notice is sent to familiarize the parent with the regulations and statutes, and should be of great concern to them.

The following is a copy:

Parents and Students

The Attendance department has the responsibility of keeping an up-to-date record on each student attending school.

The number of days of school session is regulated by state law, Chapter 71 Section 4 which states, there will be 180 days of school each year.

Chapter 76 Section 2

Every person in control of a child shall cause him to attend school as therein required, and if he fails to do so for seven day sessions, or fourteen half sessions within a period of six months, he shall, on complaint by a supervisor of attendance, be punished by a fine of not more than twenty dollars.

Chapter 77 Section 3

A child who wilfully and habitually absents himself from school contrary to section 1 of chapter 76 shall be deemed a Habitual Truant, and unless placed on probation as provided in section 7, may on complaint of a supervisor of attendance, be committed to a county training school.

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ROUTE 7

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Wednesday, Oct. 7 — Birchill Rd., Carr Ave., Elm, Emerson, Haskell, Henshaw Ave., Kanawa Ave., Lealand Ave., Main, Mar-dale Ave., Nile Ave., Parker, Perry Ln., Raymond Cir., Riverside Ave., Riverview Ave., Ruskin Ave., South Park Ter., Stewart Ln., Sunnyslope Ave., Thirlmere Ave., Veranda Ave., Woodcliffe Ave. and Wright St.

ROUTE 9

Thursday, Oct. 8 — Albert, Alhambra Cir., Barney, Central, Corey, Edith Ave., Edward, Elbert Rd., Ellison Ave., Frank, Hunt, James Ave., John, Joseph, Kirkland, Liberty Ave., Maple Ave., Meadow, Meadow Ave., Monroe, Pomeroy, River Rd., School, Seymore Ave., Sterling Rd., Sunrise Ter., Willard Ave. and Wyman Ave.

PROFITS?

We are often told that the American people, by and large, are woefully deficient in their knowledge of economics. And that seems to accurately apply to just about every area where an economic question is involved.

Take, for instance, a question which comes home to every family and which was asked in a recent survey: "For every one hundred dollars spent at your food store, about how much profit do you think the store makes after paying all expenses?" The answers ran a wide gamut — the peak figure being 60 per cent and the lowest, provided by 9 per cent of the people answering, being less than 3 per cent. A quarter of the respondents, which made up the largest single group, guessed that profit in this case ran from 21 to 40 per cent.

This survey indicates that "... most people have a vague and often distorted idea about food store profits." A major food chain* reprinted these findings in its house organ adding that its own profit on each dollar of sales runs to 1.21 cents.

That figure just about fits all the other food chains and numbers of independent food stores as well. And stores selling goods other than foods commonly earn only three or four per cent on the sales dollar.

The fact is that the great part of any sales dollar, no matter what it is spent for, goes for stocks of goods, for rents and taxes, for wages and other payroll costs, and the other expenses that are a necessary part of doing business. The share that winds up as profit, it is clear, is vastly exaggerated in the minds of most of us.

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The next time you leave your car in a huge parking area, tie a handkerchief or some kind of identifying cloth to the top of your radio antenna, advises the A.L.A. With the antenna raised to its fullest height, you'll be able to spot your car more easily.



October 5

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October 9

SENIOR HIGH

Monday: Baked sausage, parsleyed potato, applesauce, whole wheat bread, chocolate cake, milk.

Tuesday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, buttered green beans, Italian roll w/butter, peaches, oatmeal coconut cookie, milk.

Wednesday: Cheeseburgers, garden salad, w/ripe olives, potato chips, peanut butter honey sandwich, deep dish apple pie, milk.

Thursday: Turkey a la king on hot buttered biscuit, cranberry sauce, buttered peas, bread/butter, fruited jello w/topping, milk.

Friday: Egg salad sandwich, oven fried potato, carrot sticks, pickle slices, blueberry square, milk.

JUNIOR HIGH

Monday: Juice, grinders (sliced meat, cheese, tomatoes), pickles, potato chips, fruit cup, milk.

Tuesday: Meat loaf, parsley potatoes, carrots, bread/butter, chocolate pudding, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, roast beef in gravy, mashed potatoes, spinach, jello with topping, bread/butter, milk.

Thursday: Juice, hamburger on bun, green beans, peanut butter sandwiches, fruit, milk.

Friday: Fish sticks, parsley potatoes, buttered corn, white cake w/frosting, bread/butter, milk.

DANA HY

Monday: Juice, hamburger and roll w/mustard, relish, cole slaw w/carrots, cake square, milk.

Tuesday: Italian spaghetti with meat balls, broccoli, applesauce w/peanut butter cookies, rye bread/butter, milk.

Wednesday: Mashed potato, roast beef w/gravy, peas/carrots, bread/butter, fruit cup (citrus), milk.

Thursday: Tomato rice and vegetable soup, meat sandwiches, peanut butter jam sandwiches, celery - carrot sticks, Cherry squares, milk.

Friday: Oven fried potatoes, tuna fish salad sandwiches, tossed salad, cheese cube, pineapple chunks, milk.

GRANGER

Monday: Fruit juice, sloppy Joe on toasted bun, potato chips, buttered wax beans, apple crisp, milk.

Tuesday: Roast beef in brown gravy, mashed potato, glazed carrots, breadbutter, pineapple upside down cake, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, frankfurts on buttered bun, relish, mustard, whole kernel corn, sliced peaches, milk.

Thursday: Cold cut grinders (lettuce, tomato, ham, salami, cheese), buttered green beans, cookies, applesauce, milk.

Friday: Juice, tuna fish salad sandwich, peanut butter sandwich, cabbage-carrot salad, nobby apple cake, milk.

PEIRCE

Monday: Hot pork open face sandwich w/brown gravy, buttered peas/carrots, cranberry sauce, peanut butter sandwich, orange slices, milk.

Tuesday: Pineapple - grape punch, hamburger meat loaf, parsley potatoes, green/golden beans, jelly sandwich, chocolate pudding w/topping, milk.

Wednesday: Spaghetti with tomato, meat sauce, cole slaw with grated carrots, cheese cube, rye bread w/butter, fruited jello w/topping, milk.

Thursday: Orange juice, baked luncheon meat strips, whipped po-

tatoes, celery stix, applesauce, breadbutter, peanut butter chocolate cookies, milk.

Friday: Grilled cheese or tuna salad, sandwich, potato chips, kernel corn, carrot stix, pineapple tidbits, milk.

PHELPS

Monday: Juice, frankfurts on buttered roll, relish, mustard, buttered corn, apple pie, cheese cube, milk.

Tuesday: Barbecued pork in bun, buttered green peas and carrots, peanut butter sandwich, pineapple tidbits, milk.

Wednesday: Citrus juice, grilled hamburger on buttered bun, onion slices, relish, buttered green beans, fresh fruit, milk.

Thursday: Spaghetti with meat, tomato sauce, cabbage-carrot salad, bread/butter, peaches, milk.

Friday: Tomato soup, egg salad sandwich, carrot sticks, potato sticks, peanut butter cookie, apple, milk.

ROBINSON

Monday: Grape juice, frankfurts on buttered roll, mustard, relish, buttered corn, cheese sticks, pineapple cake, milk.

Tuesday: Spaghetti with meat, tomato sauce, buttered green beans, bread/butter, peanut butter sandwich, sliced peaches, milk.

Wednesday: Citrus juice, grinders (ham, cheese, tomato, lettuce), potato chips, fresh fruit, cookie, milk.

Thursday: Roast beef in gravy, mashed potato, buttered broccoli, bread/butter, fruited jello w/topping, milk.

Friday: Juice, tuna salad sail boat, peanut butter sandwich, potato chips, celery-carrot sticks, applesauce cake, milk.

SOUTH

Monday: Citrus juice, steamed franks on buttered roll, mixed vegetables, cheese sticks, apple cake, milk.

Tuesday: Citrus juice, pork chop suet on buttered rice, buttered carrots, jelly on rye sandwich, vanilla with orange sherbert cup, milk.

Wednesday: Orange juice, beef stew w/vegetables, celery sticks, peanut butter honey on rye bread, blueberry cake w/topping, milk.

Thursday: Spaghetti with meat sauce, fruit slaw, buttered coffee cake, sliced peaches, milk.

Friday: Tomato soup, egg salad on roll, oven french fries, celery-carrot sticks, cantaloupe, milk.

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A third Mustang model — the "2+2" fastback — joins hardtop and convertible Mustangs announced as the first of its 1965 cars by Ford Division last April. The new Mustang provides seating for four. Fold-down rear seats permit added luggage — including skis and other lengthy equipment — to be carried inside the car with driver and passenger. Functional air louvers styled into the rear roof quarter-panels provide an efficient, flow-through ventilation system for window-up driving free from wind noises and drafts in nearly all kinds of weather. Continued as standard equipment on all Mustangs are such sports and luxury features as bucket seats, molded nylon carpeting, floor mounted shift for both manual and automatic transmissions, all-vinyl interior, padded instrument panel, and full wheel covers.

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Never Leave Small Children At Home Alone, Says the NBFU

Never leave small children alone at home, says the National Board of Fire Underwriters.

Too many fires each year in which lives are lost are caused by children playing with matches, the Board added. Even if you are going to be away for only a few minutes, get a responsible person to look after children. If you are going to be away a considerable time, get a baby sitter.

And keep matches out of reach of children.

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NROTC Applications

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Applications are now available for the Navy's nineteenth annual NROTC qualification test, according to Mr. David Skolnick, guidance director at the Agawam High School. The nationwide examination will be given Dec. 12, 1964, and all eligible male high school seniors and graduates may apply.

On the basis of this test, personal interviews, physical examinations, and other factors, Mr. Skolnick explained, over 2000 young men will be given college educations as midshipmen in NROTC units in 52 well-known colleges and universities throughout the country.

Registrations for the test will close Nov. 20. Informational bulletins and applications are available from Mr. Skolnick or the nearest U. S. Navy Recruiting Station.

A successful applicant receives financial aid for four years of college. This includes tuition, books, uniforms, miscellaneous expenses, and a \$50. per month retainer fee. After successfully completing college degree requirements and naval science training, NROTC midshipmen become com-

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missioned officers in the U. S. Navy or Marine Corps.

During their training, Regular NROTC midshipmen enjoy three summer cruises with various naval units, including visits to foreign ports. These cruises help them learn more about the variety of interesting and challenging opportunities available to them as naval officers.

Male citizens of the United States who will be over 17 but not yet 21 on June 30, 1965, and

who are now high school seniors or graduates, are eligible to apply for the Dec. 12, 1964, NROTC qualifying test. Those who attain qualifying scores will be interviewed and given physical examinations next February.

When you're getting air for your tires, don't forget the spare tire, say ALA service experts. If the spare lacks sufficient air, it may have a leak and it may not be usable if you have a flat.



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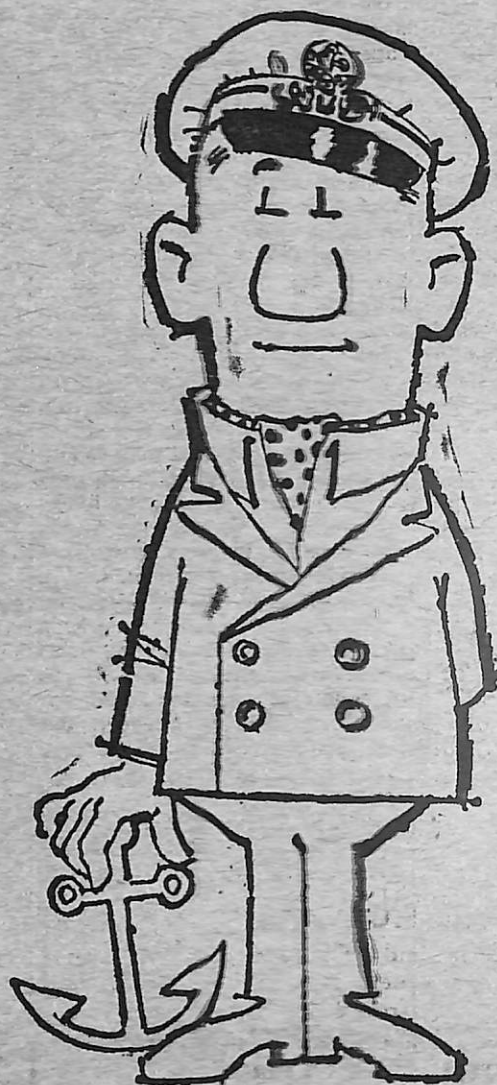
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SPORTSMEN'S CORNER



By Bill Chiba

What is the definition of pollution? What ingredients or materials cause pollution of a stream or river? These two simple questions certainly become a very complex piece of business when the defenders speak up for their respective companies which are returning water back into a stream the color of a rainbow. We say that any foreign matter that is dumped or seeped into a stream that was not placed there by nature, but by man, is pollution. Dyes from paper mills are pollution. Latex from a factory on the river is pollution. The dumping of human waste into the waterways is pollution. When a company deprives the people the multiple use of a body of water because of the refuse and waste material that is dumped into the stream, it should be brought into a court of law and charged with the crime. The company has deprived the general public (who buys the product the company manufactures) of the inalienable right of using the waters of the commonwealth for fishing, swimming, boating, and in some rare cases drinking. The comical part of this sordid mess is that there are laws on the books of the state for enforcing the prevention or correction of polluting the waterways. The Department of Public Health of Mass., has the power invested in it to stop the flagrant abuses by the factories and mills on the rivers. But the De-

partment does not have the backbone to enforce the laws of the commonwealth and protect the people from the open cesspools that constitute the rivers and streams in the state.

LOCAL BOARDS

The local Boards of Health in the towns and cities are very busy settling the disputes between neighbors when a septic tank overflows and a rank stench emanates from the discharge. The resident who is at fault is told to correct the situation or go to court. This should be, and we agree 100 percent with the ruling. But on the other hand, the same health agent in that town will turn his head the other way, walk very softly, completely ignore, make noble excuses, when the rank stench from the Connecticut River or the Agawam River radiates over the neighborhood and impregnates the very fiber of the community. What can we do when the people we employ to do a job for the community refuses to attempt to correct such a situation? We say get rid of them and hire people with backbone, not only on the town level, but the state level as well. Politics is the reason why the State Dept., is reluctant to carry out its obligations to the people of the Commonwealth, yet these same people elect the culprits that are siding with the companies in ravishing a natural heritage. It is time that the good people of the Commonwealth take stock and start demanding what is theirs and penalize those that purposely and flagrantly rape the waterways of the State with their garbage, refuse, dyes, and toxic chemicals. Do you point with pride at the open cesspool that bears the name "Connecticut River," and the open cesspool that once proudly was named "Agawam River" by a proud race of people... the American Indian? I don't see how you can. You want to do your share, but you don't know how to get into the act! Easy, just back the people and organizations that are striving to clean up the rivers and streams in your community when they appeal to you.

Clear nail polish can help keep your car beautiful by using it to touch up scratched chrome to prevent rust, says the A.L.A. For body scratches, however, use touchup paint.



SOCIAL SECURITY Questions and Answers

Q. I worked and paid social security taxes for a short time in the 1940's. I inquired at my local security office three years ago when I was 65 and was told that I hadn't worked long enough to qualify for benefits. One of my friends advised me to look into it again. Why should I check so soon again after being told I was not eligible?

A. Changes in the credit requirements may mean that you are now eligible for social security benefits even though you weren't three years ago. Make another visit to your local office without delay.

Q. I am over 65 and still working. I've heard on the radio several times that we should check up on just what we're entitled to under social security and what an important part of our retirement program it is. How can I find out how much I will receive when I retire?

A. Your local social security office will be glad to send you a free pamphlet, "Social Security Benefits—How to Estimate The Amount" (Leaflet 855). You can telephone or write for this pamphlet; if you desire more detailed information, just drop in at your social security office.

Q. I was forced to retire from my job when I reached 65. I then started a small business of my own from which I have net earnings of about \$2500 a year. I thought that as long as I worked full time, I wasn't eligible for benefits. Yet some of my friends informed me that they are receiving some benefits even though they are working. Can this be so?

A. Yes, it is possible to continue working and still receive some benefits. Under the social security

law, you can earn up to \$1200 a year and receive all your benefits. If your earnings exceed \$1200, you lose \$1 in benefits for each \$2 you earn between \$1200 and \$1700. For earnings above \$1700 you lose \$1 in benefits for each \$1 in earnings. Inquire at your local social security office as soon as possible to see whether you may be entitled to some benefits.

Q. I'm aware of the provision which prevents me from receiving benefits if my earnings are substantially over \$1200 a year. I will retire from employment in June when I reach 65, and my earnings will be about \$4000 for the half year. Does this mean that I have to wait until the following January to collect benefits?

A. No. Even though your earnings will be \$4000 for January through June, the social security law provides that you can receive your checks for any month in which your earnings are \$100 or less. If you work until the end of

June and earn \$100 or less from July on, you can start to receive your checks beginning with the month of July.

Q. I am 71 and in business for myself. My earnings have been dropping for the last 2 or 3 years, but I've never inquired about social security, as I'm waiting until age 72 when my earnings have no effect on my benefits. Am I correct in doing this?

A. The answer is NO—get in touch with your local social security office as soon as possible. While it's true that you can receive your full benefits at age 72 regardless of your earnings, an application for benefits is retroactive for only 12 months. Your earnings may entitle you to some benefits for last year. If you wait, you may lose these benefits.

Q. I'm 65 but still working and don't plan to retire. Is there any reason for me to check with the social security office?

A. There certainly is. You can get a lot of valuable information about how much your social security will be and what papers you'll need when you do retire. (Some people find out they can get some of their social security benefits even though they're still working. It depends on how much you earn.)



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H. P. Hood Sponsors Boston Celtics Game

Proceeds for JFK Library Fund
The John F. Kennedy Library Fund will benefit from the proceeds of a Boston Celtics-Baltimore Bullets regular season basketball game to be sponsored by H. P. Hood and Sons.

The New England-wide dairy firm has concluded arrangements with the Celtics to purchase the rights to the game, and it is hoped that a substantial contribution will be raised to assist the fund in its drive to reach its financial goals this year.

The game—a regularly scheduled NBA event—will be played at Boston Garden on Saturday night, December 12. Additional entertainment is also planned.

Tickets for the game, which will be priced at \$5-4-3-2, will go on sale through mail orders and the Boston Garden box office beginning September 8.

"We at H. P. Hood and Sons are gratified that we can share in this undertaking which many centuries from now will stand as a lasting memorial to a great man and a great President," said Gilbert H. Hood, Jr., President of the Company, at the announcement luncheon which was held in Boston's Sheraton-Plaza hotel. "In 118 years of service to the community, H. P. Hood and Sons has never previously been in the ticket-selling business, but from this point on through December 12, tickets to the memorial will be one of our more important products," he said.

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WHITMORE CHARGES ADMINISTRATION WITH DECEIT

In a Statement Issued From His Headquarters

Howard Whitmore, Jr., Republican candidate for U. S. Senator today charged the Johnson administration with deceit, concerning the recent income tax cut.

The former Newton mayor said "many taxpayers will unhappily discover that much of the tax cut that they thought they were receiving this year will have to be paid back to the government next April when final 1964 income tax payments fall due."

Cloverleaf Squares Fun Nite Oct. 7

The Feeding Hills Congregational Church has invited Jack Mansfield to conduct weekly classes in Western Style Square Dancing starting Wednesday, from 8 to 11 p.m. in the Church Social Halls. The group will be called the Cloverleaf Squares.

Mr. Mansfield is a resident of Agawam and is a Square Dance caller with many years of experience. He is known to many as the leader of the Storowton Village Dancers who perform at the Exposition every year, and he is very active in Square Dance promotion.

Jack Mansfield is planning the first session on Wednesday as a free FUN NITE and extends a cordial invitation to the general public to attend on a get-acquainted basis. It is hoped that any person interested in Western Style Square Dancing will come to Feeding Hills on Wednesday for an evening of fun. Refreshments will be served.

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"A large part of the increase in after-tax incomes resulting from the tax bill is in fact a 'phantom' tax cut. It is here today, but gone tomorrow," Whitmore said.

The former Chairman of the Massachusetts House Ways and



HOWARD WHITMORE, JR.

Means Committee said the phantom tax cut will prove a cruel and costly hoax to many workers.

Whitmore said that next April, many taxpayers will find that they will repay the government as much as one dollar of every three of their 'apparent' tax cut.

Although income tax liabilities were cut in two annual installments, the Johnson administration asked Congress to cut the withholding tax rate too sharply in one stroke for election year purposes.

Therefore, many taxpayers will face unusually large tax payments or sharply reduced refunds next spring, Whitmore warned.

THE MASSACHUSETTS AUDUBON SOCIETY says that volume for volume seawater contains about three times as much salt as your blood.

SQUARE DANCE



PROMENADERS AL AND ELAINE TAUPIER

Last Friday night, square dancers enjoyed dancing to Dick Steele at our 9th birthday celebration. We were glad to see Dick's wife, Carol, again after a long summer. The hall was beautifully decorated with pink and green streamers with petite rose buds bursting from the lights. Each girl attending received a small white dove to add to her costume. In the center of the hall was a huge bag of balloons. The ones catching a balloon with a lucky number received a gift. On stage was a gigantic cake with bubble-light candles. In keeping with the occasion, each person was served a special piece of cake with an individual lighted candle. We would like to thank Elmer and June Roosa and their hard working committee for the enjoyable birthday party. The refreshments

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We are now conducting our weekly class for beginners and there are still some openings. These classes are conducted in the gymnasium of Robinson Park School, in Agawam. If you were interested, but were unable to make it on Tuesday night, please feel free to come and join the others in learning about the fun in square dancing.

Just in case you have forgotten, this coming week, Oct. 4-10 has been designated by Governor Peabody as "Learn to Square Dance Week." All previous square dancers who have been away for a while are more than welcome at our Tuesday evening classes for a refresher. We'd be glad to see some of our old friends join us again.

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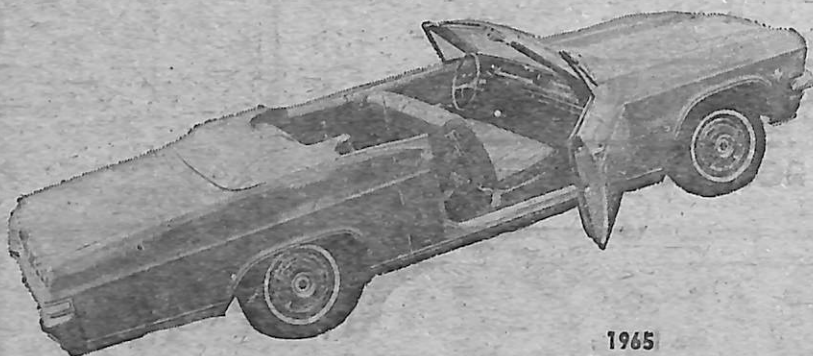
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LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT NEWS

by Virginia Catchepaugh

Initiation of New Members

Recently enrolled members of Wilson-Thompson Unit #185 will be initiated at the Oct. 5th meeting of the Unit at the Legion Home. President Jane Whalen will conduct the ceremony assisted by Mrs. Gladys Belcher, Mrs. Constance LaMountain, Mrs. Gladys Catchepaugh and Mrs. Gloria Morin. Members who would like to take part are asked to contact Mrs. Whalen or Mrs. Catchepaugh. Mrs. Belle Russell and Mrs. Virginia Catchepaugh will prepare the refreshments.

County Card Social

The County Card Social will be held at the Chicopee Center Post Home on Wednesday, Oct.

14th. The Unit has donated to the affair and members who wish to purchase tickets may do so at the next Unit meeting.

Membership

Fifteen members were paid up for the coming year as of the September 21st meeting.

Christmas Gift Shop

Gift Shop Chairman Mrs. Julia Moore has reported a better than 100% quota of gifts. Gifts are still needed and may be left at the Legion Home, the President or Chairman. All gifts should be at the Leeds Hospital by Nov. 16th.

At the Christmas Gift Shop Shower a varied display of donations was set up in the hall. Members contributed to this display or left money with the Treasurer Gladys Catchepaugh to purchase more. Interested organizations and individuals are invited to swell the contributions.

October Birthdays

Members celebrating October Birthdays: Junior Sandra Hotin, the 2nd; Mrs. Wanda Sagan, the 16th; Mrs. Belle Goss, the 17th; Junior Janice Sagan, the 24th; and Mrs. Mary Draghetti, the 29th. Best wishes to all!

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Corned Beef-Cabbage Supper

On this Saturday night, the men of Post 1632, with the assistance of its Auxiliary, will hold its first monthly supper, an Irish supper of Corned Beef and Cabbage. Servings will be from 6 to 8 p.m. A nominal fee of 99c for adults and 75c per child is all this delicious meal will cost. Proceeds will go towards helping to defray the many expenses occurred in both Veteran and community affairs.

Lite-A-Bike

Post 1632 will conduct Sunday afternoon, Oct. 11 from 2-4 p.m., throughout the community of Agawam a "Back-To-School" Lite-A-Bike program. Commander Synder asks all scouts, working on their community service merit badges and willing to assist in this project to contact Mr. Richard Willett, 88 Riverview Ave., Agawam (RE 4-7645), for details or further information.

Western Counties Council

Thursday evening (tonight) Post 1632 delegates and alternates will journey to the Earl Sanders Post #754, Amherst, Mass., to attend the monthly session of the Western Counties Council business meeting. All VFW members are eligible to attend. Those interested in joining with the County officials should be at the Post Home by 7 p.m. The meeting will start at Post 754 at approximately 8 p.m.

Dates To Remember

Oct. 1—Western Counties Council meeting.

Oct. 3—Corned Beef and Cabbage Supper—public invited—tickets will be sold at door on first come basis.

Oct. 5—8 p.m. Post meeting.

Oct. 11—Lite-A-Bike program.

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A recent news release from the Automobile Legal Association's safety department warned that "Cars are not playthings and a car's controls are not things for little children to play with."

Those words acquired greater meaning a few days later in Athol, Mass., when a two-year-old boy became caught by the neck in an electrically-operated window of the family station wagon. He was almost strangled to death.

Police said the boy was in the car with a younger brother and two other children while his mother shopped. As the boy poked his head out of the window, someone accidentally pushed a button raising it. Fortunately, a woman at the scene noticed the boy's plight and rushed to his aid.

Serious accidents involving young children left alone in cars happen far too often to shrug off.

Sometimes it may seem necessary to leave the children alone in the car while you run into the store to "pick up a few things." After all, you say, how much trouble can they get into in just a few minutes. Plenty!

As Charlotte Meany of the ALA's safety department put it: "Children just can't help getting restless. They like to touch things and it's not too difficult to release an auto hand brake or knock a gear lever out of gear." And, we might add, operate automatic windows.

Miss Meany implored parents to take their children with them when they leave their cars, "even if it's just for a few minutes."

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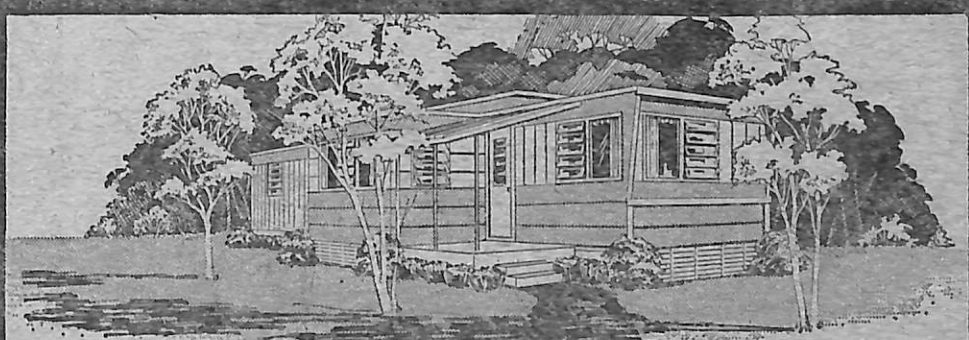
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